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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Tetsuji TOGAWA et al.

Mail Stop: ACCOUNTING DIVISION

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Serial No. 09/973,842

Filed October 11, 2001

Attorney Docket No. 2001 1521A

Confirmation No. 7718

SUBSTRATE HOLDING APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a refund of the \$1032 PTO fee charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975 on September 23, 2004 for Independent claims. The charge is incorrect.

After reviewing this matter, the Applicants' attorney can find no reason for the abovedescribed charge. Additional independent claims were submitted in an Amendment and paid for on March 10, 2004. The Amendment After Final included no more claims and only changes to those that were previously presented. Therefore, no charge should result from the response. Since that time, there has been no other action taken by the Applicant or his attorney and no other reason for fees to be incurred.

The September charge appears to be a duplicate of previously paid fees and it is now requested that \$1032 be refunded to the deposit account of undersigned, no. 23-0975.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXPEDITED PROGRAMS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

EXAMINING GROUP 3723

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Sir:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed June 2, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows: